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AIR AND RAIL TRANSPORT IMPROVEMENTS

POLISH ATRLINE HAS OUTSTANDING SAFETY RECORD -- Zycie Warszawy, No 61, 3 Mar 49

During 1948, Lot transported over 1,400 tons of freight and nearly 30,000 passengers as compared to 35,000 passengers in 1938. Because of good mechanics and experienced pilots, Lot's safety record is 100 percent. There has been no disaster on this airline since March 1945.

FOLIBH-CZECH RAILROAD LINE -- Zycie Warszawy, No 29, 30 Jan 49

A conference of Polish and Czech railroad representatives was held at Frydlant to discuss technical preparations for opening the new Liberec-Frydlant-Zawidow-Szozecin line. The opening of the line, which will join Czechoslovakia with Poland, is expected to take place on 1 May 1949.

ROLLING STOCK INCREASING -- Rzeczpospolita, No 44, 14 leb 49

The metal industry, which includes the manufacture of rolling stock, suffered a 50-percent loss because of the war. Progress in rebuilding the industry is when in the following figures.

In 1938, Poland manufactured 324 coal cars. In the first year after the war it was possible for the railroads to put 99 coal cars into operation. In 1946, production increased to about 5,000 coal cars; in 1947, to 11, "3; and in 1948, to 14,816. The plan estimates production for 1949 at 15,000 coal cars.

The manufacture of passenger cars did not begin until late 1946 and amounted to only five cars for that pear. In 1947,102 passenger cars were produced, exceeding the prewar production of 74 cars a year. In 1948, 192 passenger cars were manufactured. Production of passenger cars is expected to reach 237 in 1949.

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SLASH LATERDAD SISTEM ENGLE IT ELECTED TO THE LOSONS, NO S., 12 Feb 10

On 11 February, the remained section of the Biala Myska and Kalkow Laka Railroad line, 8.5 kilometers long, was put in service. This completes reconstruction of the destroyed railroad system. The entire railroad retwork within the boundaries of DOKP (Dynchoja Okregowa Molei Panstwowych, Regional Management of State Railways), Katowice, is now open to traffic.

NEW BRIDGE OVER ODER RIVER -- Zycie Warezary, No 46, 16 Feb 49

On 14 February, at Pol Jucky near Szczecin, a test was made of the stable and dynamic endurance of a newly built bascule-type railrows bridge on the star River. The test revealed Wast the bridge is rafe for rail Preight traffic. She new bridge will ease traffic on railroad lines and will be a more convenient connection between Scandingvian countries and southern brange.

WORK INTERNSTRATED ON MARSAN'S N-Z ROUP? -- Typie Warshawy, No CC, 2 Mar '?

Work has been intensified on the "tree main points of the W-Z (Rast-West) Route -- bridge, tunned, and viaduet. By the middle of March, work on all sectors of this route flat be conducted in three shifts.

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